GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5576
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MILITANT THREAT IN J & K
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item regarding militants call the shots here appearing in the Hindu dated 6.4.2003;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that militants in Jammu region are forcing the local population not to approach the police and security agencies for their problems but to go to them for setting any dispute;

(c) if so, the number of cases came to the notice of the Union Government till date; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to curb such moves of militants?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERS(PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a) : Yes, Sir. Government is aware of the news item.

(b) & (c): No such reports/inputs regarding terrorists forcing the local population not to approach the police and security agencies for their problems but to go to the terrorists for settling any dispute have been received so far.

(d): The changing security situation in the State and available intelligence inputs are constantly reviewed, refined and monitored both at the State and Centre levels to meet the emerging threats and ground level requirements of fighting the terrorists. Besides this security forces operating in J & K as well as the State Police have been sensitized to check /curb all the unlawful activities of anti-national elements.